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Serial No.: 09/831,468  
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Title: METHOD AND DEVICE FOR MACHINING  
WORKPIECES USING HIGH-ENERGY  
RADIATION  
Group Art Unit: 1725  
Examiner: Lynne Renee Edmondson  
Attorney's Docket No.: STUR-37

Commissioner For Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria, VA 22313-1450

Sir:

PETITION FOR AUTOMATIC EXTENSION OF TIME TO RESPOND

Applicant hereby petitions for a two (2) month extension of time to respond to the outstanding Official Action mailed May 19, 2003 with respect to the above-identified patent application, thereby extending the time for response from August 19, 2003 to October 19, 2003.

Applicant notes that inasmuch as October 19, 2003 falls on a Sunday, the response is actually due on Monday, October 20, 2003.

A check in the amount of \$210.00 is enclosed to cover the cost of the petition fee. This petition fee has been calculated on the basis of Small Entity status.

In the event that any additional fees may be required to be paid in connection with this matter, please charge the same, or credit any overpayment, to Deposit Account No. 16-0221. A duplicate copy of this Petition is enclosed for the convenience of the Office.

Thank you.

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